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For: ILLUMINATION OPTICAL APPARATUS USING DIFFERENT NUMBER OF LIGHT SOURCES UNDER DIFFERENT EXPOSURE MODES, METHOD OF OPERATING AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THEREOF

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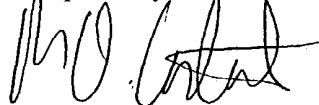
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